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In re application of:

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Application No.: 10/084,553

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For: PHYTOCHROME REGULATED
TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR FOR
CONTROL OF HIGHER PLANT
DEVELOPMENT

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 1845

Examiner: S. Baum

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1638

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 2, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a one-month extension for time to respond accompanies this response.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.